**Crediting of interest on Saving Accounts in the Nationalised Banks**

2295. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) when the interest on the balance in saving accounts of customers is credited in their accounts in various nationalised banks in Delhi and the period for which such interest is calculated;

(b) what is the position in this respect in the case of State Bank of India;

(c) whether it is a fact that in certain branches of the State Bank of India in Delhi the interest is credited to the accounts of the customers very late say even after two months;

(d) what are the guidelines in this regard; and

(e) whether Government propose to issue instructions to the Bank Managers of the State Bank of India branchs to ensure timely credit of the interest due to customers, and if so, what are the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a), (b) and (d) According to the directives of the Reserve Bank of India all the Scheduled Commercial Banks are to calculate interest on savings and fixed deposit accounts at quarterly or longer intervals. The State Bank of India credit interest on savings accounts once a year, as at the end of September, but the actual calculations are on monthly basis i.e. interest accrued on these accounts for first half year is treated as credited to the savings bank balances and interest thereon allowed for the subsequent half year. Nationalised Banks are reported to be calculating and crediting interest on Savings Bank Accounts at half yearly intervals.

(c) and (e) State Bank of India has reported that interest on savings bank accounts is generally credited to the depositor's account by 14th of October every year. However, there may be some cases of delay in the application of interest beyond the stipulated date. In such cases loss of interest to the customers is made good by paying interest for the period of delay involved. Instructions regarding timely crediting of interest are issued to all branches every year by State Bank of India.

**Non-issuance of cash memo by sweet-meat sellers of Delhi**

2296. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the sweet-meat sellers of Delhi do not issue ny cash memo for the goods sold to the customers and thus evade income-tax and other taxes.

(b) what is the amount income-tax paid by M/s. Kanwar Sain Onkar Nath, Chandni Chowk, Delhi and M/s. Standard Sweets, Chawri Bazar, Delhi during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) what is the amount of income-tax outstanding at present against these firms and their proprietors;

(d) whether any raids were conducted at their premises to unearth black money; and

(e) if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) Some instances of income-tax evasion by Sweet-meat sellers of Delhi have come to the notice of the Income Tax Department. However, no evasion of Sales Tax by the Sweet-meat sellers of Delhi has come to the notice of the concerned Sales Tax authorities in Delhi.

(b) and (c) A Statement showing amount of Income-tax paid by M/s. Kanwar Sain Onkar Nath, Chandini Chowk and M/s. Standard Sweets,